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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte Presentation in Dockets CC 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Today Jeff Glover of CenturyTel, Inc. and I met with Commissioner Martin and Dan Gonzalez, and with Commissioner Copps and Jessica Rosenworcel, concerning the above-captioned proceedings. Specifically, CenturyTel urged that the Commission should adopt meaningful, binding and enforceable standards for designation of eligible telecommunications standards under Section 214(e) of the Communications Act. CenturyTel discussed the points set forth in its comments and testimony in CC docket 96-45, and summarized in the attached materials, which were provided at the meeting.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Karen Brinkmann

cc: Honorable Michael J. Copps
Honorable Kevin J. Martin
Daniel Gonzalez, Senior Legal Advisor to Commissioner Martin
Jessica Rosenworcel, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Copps